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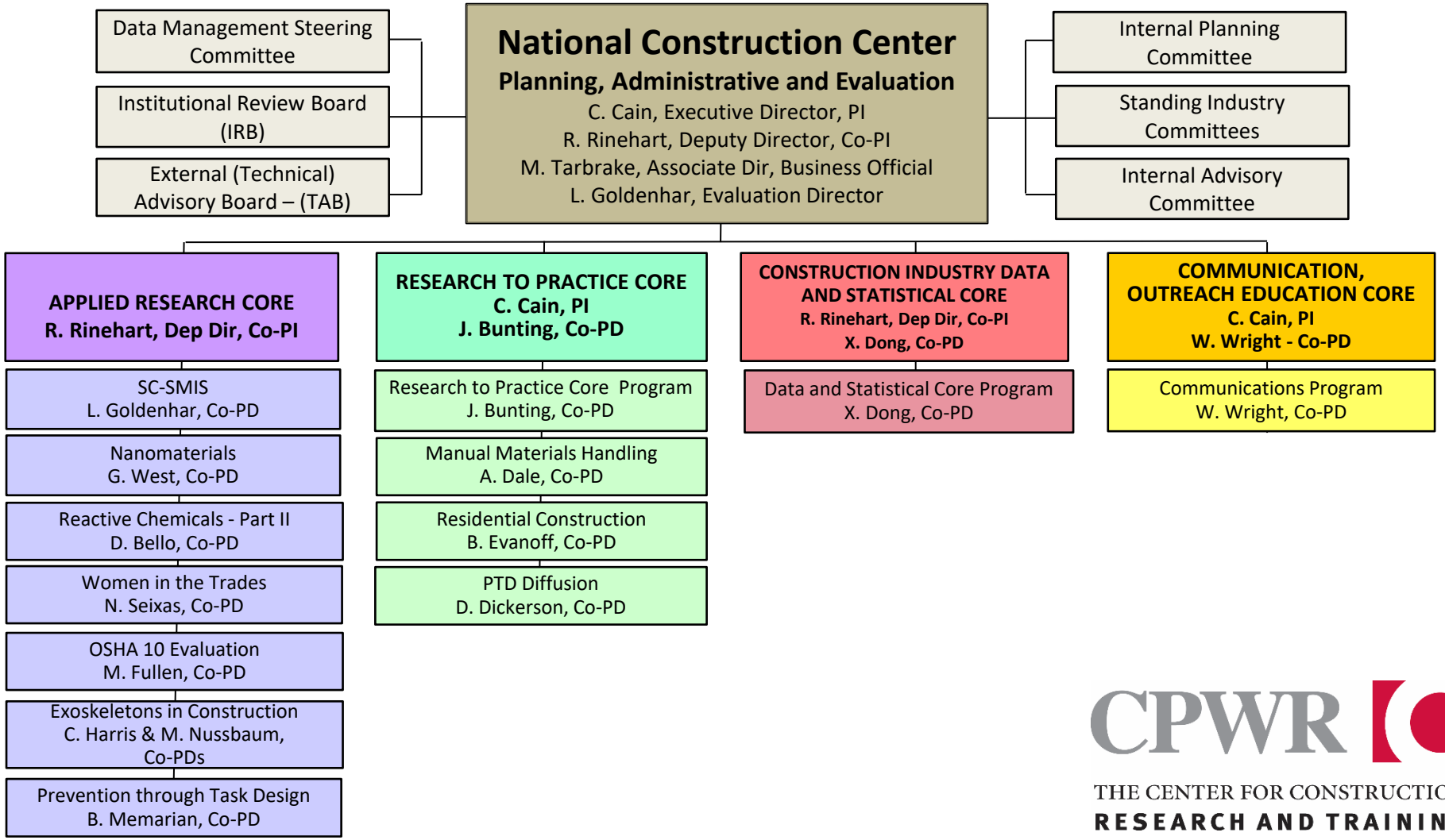

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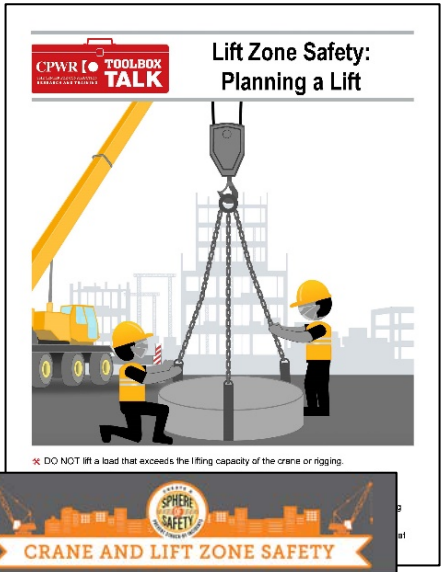
- Struck-by Workgroup https://cpwr.com/struck-by-hazards
- Falls Workgroup https://stopconstructionfalls.com/
- COVID-19 Workgroup https://covid.elcosh.org/ https://www.covidcpwr.org/

NORA Struck-by Work Group

CREATE A SPHERE OF SAFETY
PREVENT STRUCK-BY INCIDENTS



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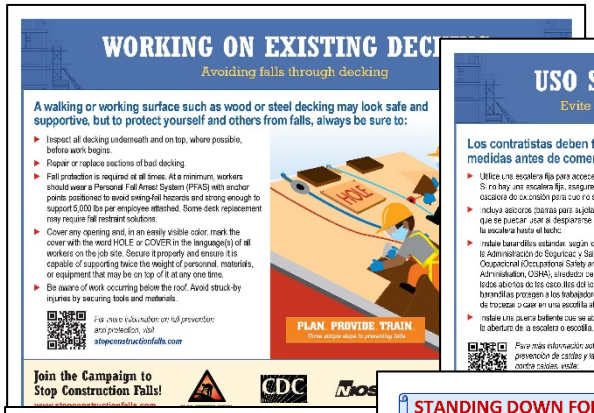

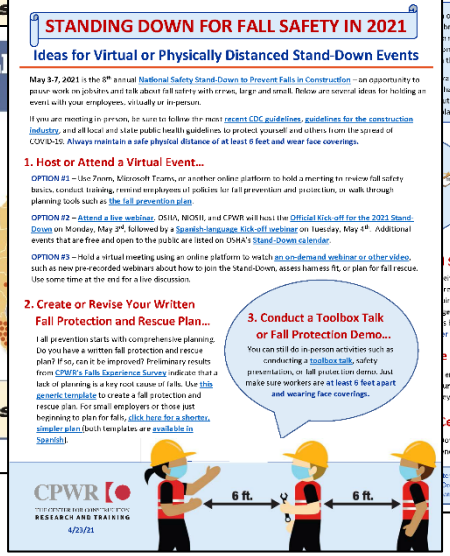

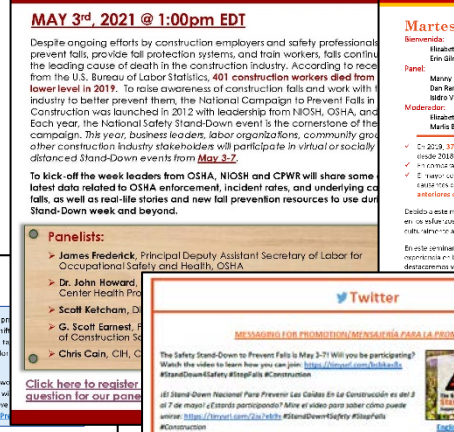

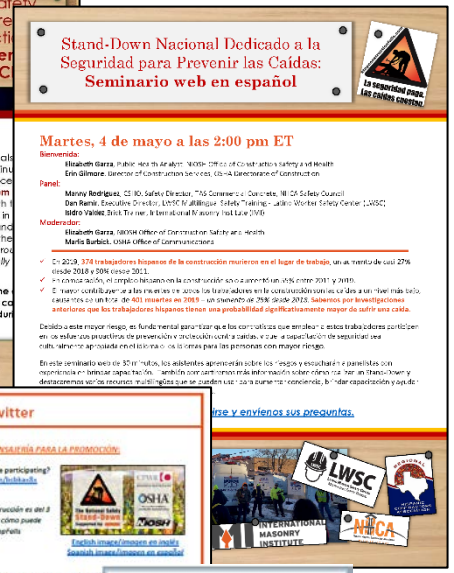

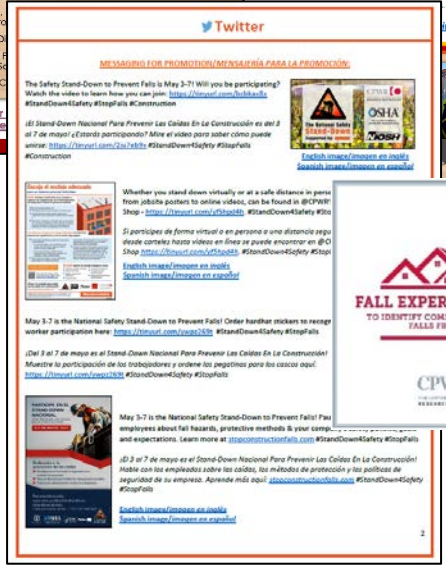

NORA COVID-19 Workgroup

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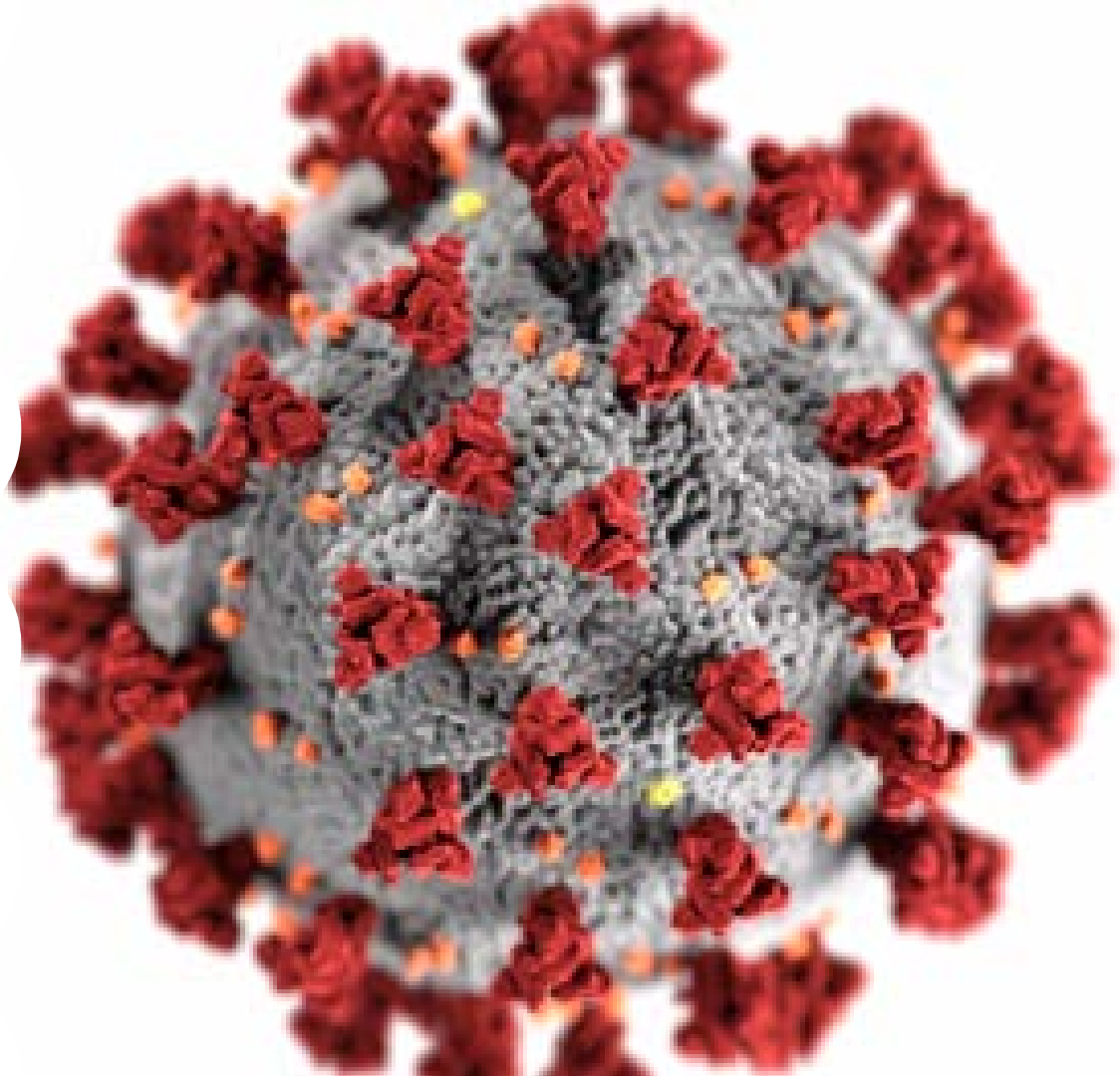

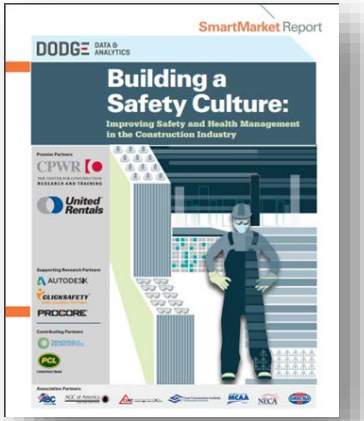
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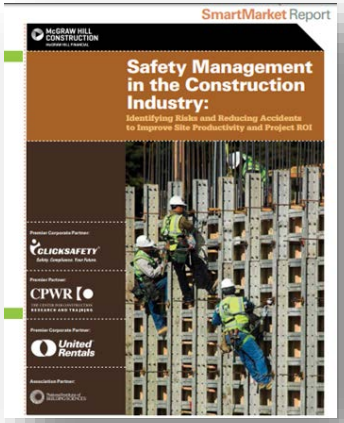
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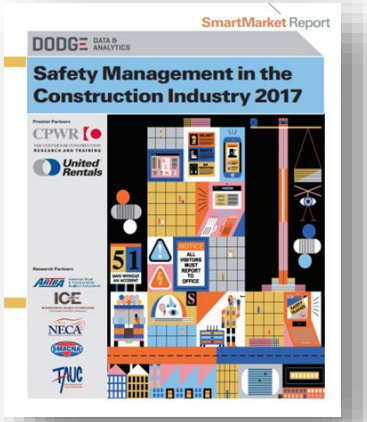
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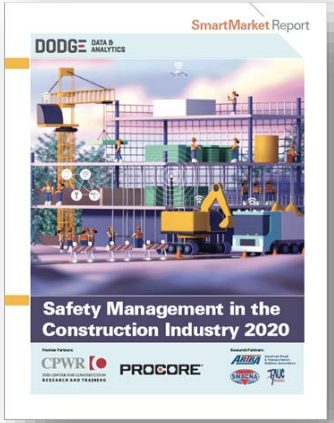
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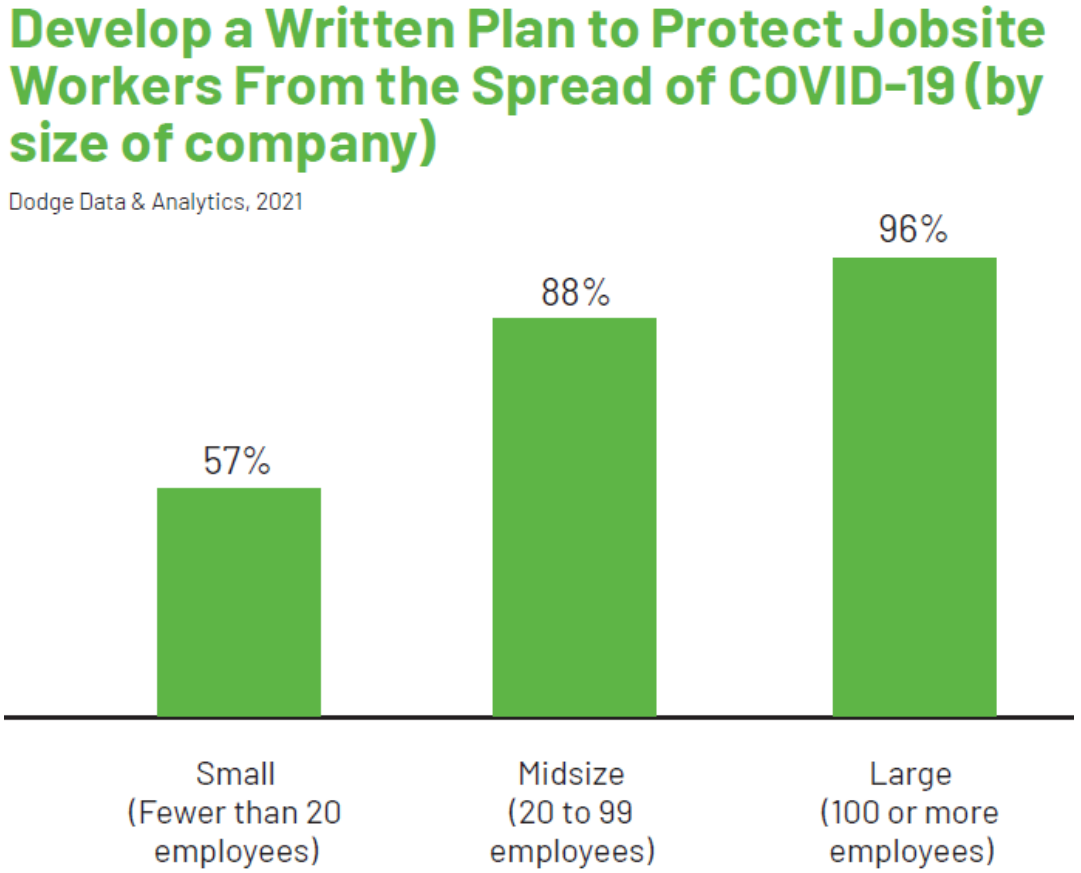

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Construction Safety Management During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 pandemic has confronted construction businesses with safety and health management challenges, forcing them to address potential viral transmission in the workplace on top of existing occupational hazards. This Data Bulletin provides updated data about the impact of COVID-19 on construction businesses and important information regarding construction safety and health management during the pandemic. The effects of COVID-19 on construction businesses, vaccination and testing requirements for physical work presence, and expected travel expenditures through October 2021 were examined using data from the U.S. Census Bureau's weekly Small Business Pulse Survey (SBPS). Trends were compared between construction and all nonfarm industries, and within construction by establishment size. Safety and health priorities; COVID-19 plans, practices and policies; and online training were explored using data from the Construction Safety Management Survey (CSMS), a biennial online survey of construction contractors conducted by Dodge Data & Analytics (DD&A). CPWR has collaborated with DD&A on this survey since 2012, and the 2021 CSMS, conducted from May to June 2021, is the fifth in a series on safety management in construction through this joint effort. The current CSMS added questions on how contractors are managing health and wellness in workplaces during the pandemic. Trends were compared between construction firm types and by union status or firm size.* Time periods covered by this Data Bulletin vary by source according to data availability.

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*Sample size may be small (n < 10) for certain subgroups after stratification. Readers are advised to use related results with caution.
Numbers in text and charts (except charts 1 and 4) were calculated by the CPWR Data Center.

THIS ISSUE

This issue examines construction safety management during the COVID-19 pandemic, including the impact of COVID-19 on businesses; safety and health priorities; and plans, practices, and policies to prevent viral spread.

KEY FINDINGS

Nearly two-thirds (64%) of construction businesses reported a moderate to large negative effect of COVID-19, and 28% reported a moderate to large decrease in employment compared to pre-pandemic levels.
Chart 2

Construction businesses were less likely than all nonfarm businesses to require vaccination for on-site work from August to October 2021 (6% versus 11%).
Chart 3

COVID-19 was more likely to be the top safety and health concern in union than non-union firms (general contractors: 28% versus 13%; specialty trade contractors: 17% versus 15%).
Chart 7

Small firms were less likely to increase online training due to COVID-19 (19% of general contractors and 10% of specialty trade contractors) or have a COVID-19 written plan (68% of general contractors and 49% of specialty trade contractors).
Charts 10-11

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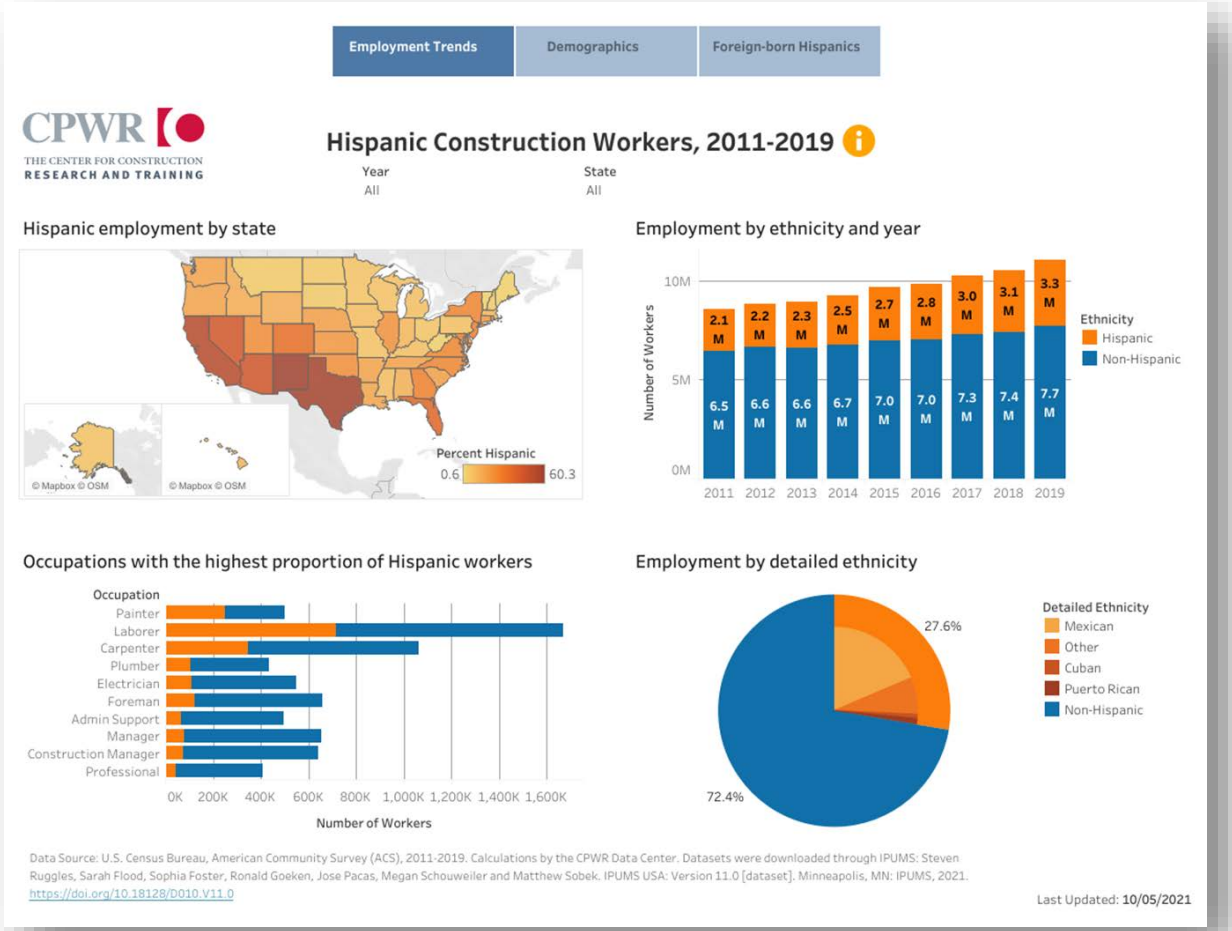

Data Dashboards

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9 Interactive Data Dashboards (by Nov. 15)

- Characteristics of Construction Businesses — just added
- Characteristics of Construction Business Owners — just added
- Construction Payroll Establishments and Employees
- Construction Fatality Map
- Construction Focus Four
- COVID-19 Vaccinations — updated 11/5/21
- Hispanic Employment
- OSHA Inspections and Citations in Construction
- Severe Injuries

Small Study Program ($30,000 x 1 year)

- 131 small studies awarded since the program started in the 1990s (an estimated $3.75 million)
- Received 66 proposals and funded 12 studies since September 2019

EXAMPLES

Nebulizer-retrofitted drone deployment at residential construction sites, University of Utah

Intelligent hearing protection for construction workers exposed to hazardous noise, Clemson University

Protocol for assessing human-robot interaction safety risks, University of Alabama

Safety challenges of UAV integration in the construction industry: Focusing on workers at heights, University of Florida

Assessment of construction workers' mental health to improve wellbeing, Colorado State University

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